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from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

'I CAN DO IT MYSELF'

For a guy who said a few days earlier he wouldn't call in national Republican figures to help him get votes in California, Ronald Reagan has been getting an awful lot of help from national GOP figures.

First, of course, there was ex-President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Of course, it is merely a guess that Reagan thought he would get any statement of support out of the nation's last GOP President when he visited the Eisenhower farm in Gettysburg, Pa.

After all, Ike hasn't supported anybody since Barry Goldwater, when he was unfairly accused of joining those who will back any Republican, regardless of what he stands for, just to get the GOP back into power.

Ike's support of Barry's boy, Ronnie, the matinee idol of the John Birch Society, obviously was based on high principle, not on any partisan political consideration!

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A DATE WITH SAM

Reagan also got some help from Barry himself, and from that other GOP loser, good old Tricky Dick Nixon, both of whom just happened to be in California within a few days after Ronnie said he didn't need any help.

Furthermore, it is ridiculous to assume that Reagan's luncheon date with renegade Sam Yorty, the mayor of Los Angeles who backed Nixon and hates Governor Brown, was in any way an attempt to win support.

Pseudo-Democrat Yorty said he might not make any endorsement at all. After all, he added, he occupies a non-partisan office.

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NON-PARTISANSHIP

Switchin' Sam topped off this pious statement by saying he might make an endorsement in October.

Anybody who wonders why Sam's office will suddenly stop being non-partisan in October, or how come it was non-partisan when he ran for the Democratic nomination for governor a scant three weeks earlier, isn't playing fair. At least he isn't playing the same game Sam is.

To play Sam's game, you have to run as a Democrat, and then amiably lunch with the darling of the GOP and the radical right within three weeks after you lose.

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TIT FOR TAT

Ronnie Reagan says individual initiative should be developed. And you shouldn't expect anybody else to help you, even if you need it.

Hurray for Ronnie! But apparently he's talking about somebody besides himself.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Write a letter to Nixon (and buy picnic tickets)



UNSHORED TRENCH is occupied by two East Bay Municipal Utility District workers. Building trades unions and contractors say new EBMUD construction work — like this — should be submitted for bids by private firms. They are still trying to arrange a meeting between EBMUD officials and state legislators to iron out the problem. Meanwhile, members of EBMUD Employees 444, who are doing the work in question, are battling the water districts wage-cutting policies on another front. They've stated that EBMUD General Manager John W. McFarland has just gotten a raise to \$40,800 a year, which makes his salary higher than that of the governors of 48 states. And 25 EBMUD officials make over \$12,000 a year. But rank-and-file workers are paid far less than prevailing outside scales.

Building tradesmen fight prefab threat

The latest fight by building trades unions against prefabricated construction is taking place in the Delta Fair area of Antioch.

There, a \$1,600,000, 300-unit prefab apartment project is being erected by crews of the Jay L. Jay Development Co. of Indio.

An informational picket on a sound truck informs all who can hear that the work is not being done by union building tradesmen.

(The firm reportedly has a contract at industrial pay scales with the AFLCIO Furniture Workers, according to Alameda County building tradesmen, who have been keeping close watch).

The informational picket has been placed by the Contra Costa County Building and Construction Trades Council.

4-5 UNITS A DAY

The council's Secretary-Treasurer Howard (Chick) Reed said on-site work started about two weeks ago, and four or five units have been put up each day.

The project is west of the ex-

isting Delta Arms apartments, which, Reed explains, were built by union building tradesmen.

Jay L. Jay, or related companies, have constructed similar prefab apartment projects in San Diego, Palm Springs and Modesto.

Work is nearly complete on one in Stockton, and the Solano County Building Trades Council is picketing a site at Vacaville.

Reed noted that national and state AFLCIO building trades organizations had been alerted to the projects. He pledged the Contra Costa County Building Trades Council will oppose the Antioch project in every legal way.

EX-NLRB OFFICIAL

But the firm has retained Elmo Price, a former National Labor Relations Board regional official, as its labor relations man. And legal traps threaten unions which fail to abide by chapter and verse of the many complex labor relations laws.

The units are built, complete

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CLC ponders 'same as 1958' political threat

Central Labor Council delegates have voted to urge all unions and members to write letters to their doctors, the American Medical Association and former Vice President Richard Nixon.

They approved a recommendation by Executive Secretary-Treasurer Robert S. Ash to strongly condemn statements made by Nixon before the AMA convention, quoted in the San Francisco Chronicle Monday.

Nixon, Ash charged, suggested "in substance" that doctors boycott Medicare.

Medicare may not be all unions and elderly people had in mind when they spent 10 years campaigning for its passage by Congress, Ash added, but it was the best that could be obtained when voted on last year.

Nixon and GOP candidate Ronald Reagan want to water down the meager social legislation that is on the books, Ash added.

POLITICAL FIGHT

In addition to asking unions and unionists to write to protest the former Vice President's remarks, Ash stressed the importance of a strenuous political fight by labor this year to protect the gains we have made and improve upon them wherever possible.

"We can't let down for a minute in pushing for more and better laws to protect the people we represent," the CLC official said.

'SAME SITUATION AS '58'

Labor, Ash continued, faces basically the same problem which confronted it in 1958. He said Reagan is "no different" from Nixon or former Senator William F. Knowland—even though the right-to-work amendment sponsored by Knowland isn't on the ballot this year.

The Alameda County AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic is the only effective way unions and union members in this county have to raise money to protect their political gains, Ash declared.

And, since it is generally agreed that a rough fight lies ahead, it is especially important for each union to sell Labor Day Picnic tickets to as many of its members as possible, he concluded.

Amundson resigns CLC post; to join labor center at U.C.

Norman E. Amundson, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council since 1962, has resigned to accept a position with the University of California Center for Labor Research and Education in Berkeley.

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Robert S. Ash read Amundson's letter of resignation at Monday night's Central Labor Council meeting.

Ash praised Amundson's work with the Labor Council highly and added that he will be able to help unions in new ways at U.C.

Amundson spoke briefly and said he felt the need to educate union members is at the base of many problems confronting the labor movement today.

He added that the U.C. program, under Don Vial, former research director for the California Labor Federation, offers a

challenge, as well as a fine opportunity for unions which feel the need to recruit young members and train younger leaders.

Before joining the Labor Council, Amundson was organizer and business representative for Electrical Workers 1245.

At present, Amundson is chairman of the Alameda County Manpower Development and Training Act Advisory Council and a member of the Hayward Human Relations Commission.

Labor Day Picnic plans top agenda for COPE

Plans for the annual Alameda County AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic will highlight the agenda for the regular COPE meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, according to Robert S. Ash, secretary-treasurer.

HOW TO BUY

July: good buys (except food)

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

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July is one of the best months for shopping for family needs.

Early in the month, you will find clearances of shoes, women's summer dresses, men's suits and shirts, sportswear, and children's wear.

The shoe sales are especially helpful in this year of high shoe prices.

This is a good month to shop for refrigerators.

Car dealers reduce prices of used cars right after July 4 and begin price-cutting on new models, with further cuts in August.

Prices of TV sets are being reduced.

Later in July, the annual home furnishings sales begin, offering reductions on furniture, rugs, mattresses and drapes.

THE REAL PROBLEM for your family remains food prices. After a year of rising prices, in general about 6 per cent ahead of last year and with meat prices even higher, food prices will hit a peak this summer.

Nor will we have any relief until late fall, when meat marketings increase.

Farmers have gotten sensitive about this year's food prices. Some farm organizations, at least partly for political reasons, have criticized the Administration for advising consumers to be selective and for limiting hide exports. The limit on hide exports is to the advantage of shoe manufacturers, who have hiked shoe prices more than warranted by the increase in hide costs.

As a result of farmers' resentment, U. S. Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman has returned to heckling consumers, and trying to drive a wedge between consumers and farmers.

But neither Mr. Freeman, nor the farm organizations and Republican congressmen who criticized the Administration, ever mention the underlying problem of the swollen marketing spread between farm and retail prices.

Farmers used to get 50 cents of the dollar you spend for food. But in recent years, they have gotten only 40 cents; and the bite taken out by food processors, distributors and speculators has grown to 60 cents.

Among the main beneficiaries of the high prices you are paying for meat are wealthy investors who never go near a farm but invest in livestock because of loopholes in the tax laws.

The effect of their tax-avoiding investments has been to

further inflate the price of livestock.

With the Administration unwilling to provide any genuine help in solving the various causes of the increased marketing spread, your only way to hold down high prices is careful shopping.

Here are tips on July buying opportunities:

CLOTHING BUYS: Take advantage especially of the reductions on durable-press or permanent-press shirts and slacks. Men's and boys' slacks of the preferred polyester (Dacron, etc.) and worsted wool blends, or polyester and cotton in approximately equal proportions, have been selling for as low as \$3.50-\$5 in recent sales.

In the summer dress sales, look especially for simply-tailored (but carefully constructed) polyester-and-cotton blends which are most likely to be truly wash and wear. Usually you will find best values in solid colors. Be careful of fancy patterns at low prices. They may be merely printed materials. In any case, patterned fabrics require careful matching at seams, which adds to manufacturing costs and may not be done well in low-priced apparel.

FOAM UPHOLSTERY: In shopping midsummer furniture sales, make sure you know what you're getting when stores or clerks say furniture is "foam" upholstered. The more expensive foam is latex foam rubber. Retailers really should not call the cheaper urethane foam (a synthetic) "foam" without qualifying it as urethane, the Better Business Bureau warns. Latex foam usually is more resilient, softer but more shape-retaining than the less-expensive urethane. While urethane foam is durable, some manufacturers use a low-density quality.

You can tell low-density urethane foam by its surprisingly light weight and lack of resiliency when you compress it in your hand.

FOOD CALENDAR: In beef, you will find relatively better values in cuts which require simmering or stewing since many of your fellow consumers in the hot months tend to buy cuts which can be broiled.

Broilers still are relatively good value even though they have gone up this year (despite heavier supplies). Cheese and canned salmon are the outstanding protein buys of the month.

Checkout



May price rise not so sharp

The consumer price index hit a new high in May, the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics said in Washington, D. C.

But the increase was less than that for March or April.

Inflation-conscious BLS officials indicated some satisfaction with this fact.

To be exact, the cost-of-living index rose one-tenth of one percent in May, compared with four-tenths of one percent in March and one-half of one percent in April.

The May increase, the bureau said, "was caused mostly by higher costs of home ownership, furniture, women's apparel, medical care and cigarettes." Overall food costs went down six-tenths of one percent, reversing a climbing trend for the last few months.

The bureau's retail food index in the San Francisco-Oakland metropolitan area fell seven-tenths of one percent in May—the first drop since November.

Still, Bay Area food prices, on the whole, were four per cent above a year ago and 13.9 per cent above the 1959-59 base period.

The local food price drop was largely the result of a sharp 2.1 per cent decrease shown by average costs in the meat-poultry-fish group. Also, egg prices went down, and those of fruits and vegetables rose, along with cereals, bakery products and dairy products.

Women's group to hold picnic

Women Democrats, Eastbay, will hold a "Get Acquainted Day" picnic at 11:30 a.m. July 7 at Dimond Park, Oakland.

Former and prospective members are invited. The event is open to any interested persons. Guests should bring lunches. Coffee will be provided. Those interested in an August excursion should call Mrs. Grace Bryson, 261-9891, or talk with her at the picnic.

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U.S. Senate OKs car safety bill

The Senate has unanimously approved what it called a "tough" auto safety bill.

Chairman Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.) said the measure is much stronger than the Administration's proposal. If passed, it will require installation of federally-specified safety devices starting with 1968 models.

Whether the bill turns out to be really tough or not will depend upon the U. S. Commerce Department, which is given the power to control engineering and timing of specific safety features.

Magnuson leads the Senate Commerce Committee, which approved the bill earlier.

The committee also called for stronger enforcement provisions than the Administration.

Credit union founder speaks

"The hard core poor are not just the middle class without money. They have not only poverty of body, but they live in a culture of poverty of spirit."

So said Father Albert Joseph McKnight, a Negro Catholic priest who has waged his own "war on poverty" in Louisiana.

Father McKnight founded 10 credit unions and is the founder and president of the Southern Consumers Cooperative of Lafayette, La.

Speaking under the sponsorship of BAND (Bay Area Neighborhood Development) Father McKnight described the shattering poverty among the poor in the South and what he and his organization have done to offer them both hope and dignity.

"Civil rights progress has profited only urban middle class Negroes; it has bypassed rural Negroes," Father McKnight said.

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Getting Your MONEY'S WORTH

IF YOU'RE PREPARING for a trip, should you buy one of the currently popular molded suitcases, or one of the soft-sided bags whose popularity has continued over a number of years?

The July issue of Consumer Reports carries test results on 18 models of molded luggage and concludes that this type appears to have several clearcut virtues: sides can't snag; the cases are relatively scuff-resistant and easy to clean; they will probably stay presentable longer than the soft-sided type in hard use; they are likely to protect your things better.

On the other hand, soft-sided luggage probably is a little less expensive and perhaps a little lighter than molded luggage. The report considers molded cases particularly suited for travel by commercial transport and soft-sided luggage an equally good choice if you travel mostly by car and handle your own bags.

Consumers union suggests these shopping tips for the molded type luggage:

- Tongue and groove closure is preferable to the overlapping type.
- There should be some tension under the latches as you close them.
- Give preference to bags with three comparatively long hinges instead of only two.
- Press the top or bottom of the case; the more rigid, the better.
- Check whether the feet are properly placed to hold the bag steady when upright.
- Check the frame's sturdiness by trying to flex the edges while open; also, with the lid open 90 degrees and the bottom held firmly on table top or bed, gently pull the lid sideways to see how readily the case tends to deform.
- Lids that open only to 90 degrees have at least one stay and preferably two to hold the top up.
- Try the handle for size and comfort.
- Try pinching a bit of lining here and there to see how firmly it is glued down. Separate side linings are desirable. A strip of material over the hinge crack will prevent anything from slipping into the crack and perhaps straining the case.

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Plumbers to quit at 2:30 Fridays starting this week

Unionists working under the Plumbers' Agreement in Alameda County will go home at 2:30 p.m. today, as a shortened workweek takes effect.

The change applies to all plumbers who are members of Plumbers and Gas Fitters 444 covered by this agreement, according to George A. Hess, business manager and financial secretary-treasurer of the union.

Under the agreement, negotiated last year, a 38-hour week goes into effect July 1, 1966, and a 36-hour week begins July 1, 1967.

Also covered by the shorter workweek are plumbers employed by the University of California, the U. C. Radiation Laboratory at Berkeley and Livermore, and the Oakland School Department.

NO LOSS IN PAY

Hess pointed out that the shorter workweek involves no loss in take-home pay for the Local 444 members.

He expressed the hope the change will relieve some of the unemployment which has been plaguing the union for the last year.

Hess said Santa Clara County Local 393 started the move toward a shorter work week three years ago, and members of that union have been working only 4½ days a week for a year.

Despite predictions by some contractors, there have been no serious problems caused by the shorter work week in Santa Clara County, Hess said.

Bargaining rights for farm workers asked by Burton

Congressman Phillip Burton (D.-S.F.), member of the House Committee on Education and Labor, has introduced legislation to amend the National Labor Relations Act to extend collective bargaining rights to agricultural workers.

Congressman Burton noted: "The right to organize and to bargain collectively has advanced the cause of the American working man and woman and contributed generally to our national prosperity. This right has not been guaranteed to farm labor."

Congressman Burton went on to say, "The plight of our farm workers has been graphically illustrated by the late Edward R. Murrow in a TV report which was entitled 'The Harvest of Shame.' Congressional hearings have determined the average farm worker who is a head of a family makes between \$2,000 and \$2,500 a year. His family lives in hovel-housing. His children are improperly educated. He and his family must work for what they can get. Equity and social justice are not substantial factors when he seeks work. He stands alone.

"The right to organize and to bargain collectively will help bring an end to this shameful condition as it brought an end to sweat shops in industry."

31 East Bay hospitals qualify as Medicare goes into effect

Medicare, the result of a decade-long fight by labor and liberals, goes into effect today (Friday).

Nineteen million Americans 65 or over are eligible.

About 17,200,000 of them have signed up for the voluntary (Part B) doctor bill insurance plan, in addition to the free basic Medicare benefits.

Designed to remove the threat of crushing hospital medical bills from the declining year of older Americans, Medicare will be available at 31 hospitals in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, which have been certified under the program.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Hospital admissions under Medicare will be similar to those under existing health and hospital insurance plans, according to William B. Hayward, district director for the U. S. Social Security Administration.

Patients will be asked to show their health insurance identification cards. These cards are being mailed to all those eligible for Medicare.

The nursing home care provisions of Medicare do not begin until next Jan. 1.

HANDBOOKS MAILED

Hayward said all physicians in Alameda and Contra Costa counties have received the Physician's Reference Guide, along with copies of the Medicare Handbook mailed during June to the 19 million people 65 and over covered by Medicare.

The Physician's Reference Guide describes benefits payable for the nation's elderly people under the hospital insurance program and the payments for doctor bills and other medical

services covered under the voluntary program of medical insurance in which more than 9 out of 10 of those 65 and over have enrolled.

CLAIM PROCEDURES

There will two ways to claim payment for doctor bills under the voluntary medical insurance part of Medicare. It is up to doctor and patient which will be used.

The doctor can continue to bill his patient, if he wishes, and the patient can claim reimbursement. Or the doctor can apply for payment to the California Physicians Service. The same one page form can be used for either method.

Medicare beneficiaries will find answers to most questions in the green Medicare handbooks being sent to them through the mail.

However, the Social Security Offices in Oakland, Berkeley and Hayward will be glad to explain any point that may be clear.

Most people 65 and over have received their Medicare handbooks and their red, white, and blue health insurance identification cards, Hayward said. Identification cards were mailed first to those signed up for both the hospital insurance and the voluntary medicare insurance.

Anyone who signed up for Medicare who has not received an identification card by the end of the second week in July should inquire at the Social Security Office, Hayward advised.

If a person must go to a hospital before he has received his health insurance identification card, Hayward noted, the hospital will arrange to check his eligibility.

Productivity bonus will give Milk Drivers automation break

A productivity premium for members of Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees 302 employed by companies with highly-automated plants is one of the features of a new contract ratified by members.

Al Brown, secretary-treasurer of Local 302, said the producers are divided into three groups. Employees of the most highly automated plants will get a \$1.80 a day premium.

These are the milk plants of big retail store chains, including Safeway. Employees of these plants also will get an added day off with pay each month. Brown said, requiring their employers to hire more personnel—thus partly offsetting the effect of automation on jobs.

Employees of big dairy companies other than those operated by retail store chains will get an 80 cent daily premium, reflecting increases in productivity which have not been as great.

The two year contract, which covers five other Bay Area locals, also provides for general increases of 15 cents an hour retroactive to April 1, and another 12½ cents hourly next year.

It also contains provisions for increased pension contributions, doubletime pay after 9½ hours for some employees, major medical coverage, sick leave, better protection, and a special payment by employers who use the drop shipment plan.

Itllong to speak

Larry Itllong, strike director for the AFLCIO Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, will speak at 8 p.m. Wednesday at 1615 Bonita Ave., Berkeley. The meeting, sponsored by Citizens for Farm Labor, is open to the public. Itllong will discuss "The Present Status of the Delano Grape Strike."

Parkinson's law

Republican State Chairman Gaylord Parkinson laid down a "twelfth commandment" for all GOP legislators at a recent secret meeting in Sacramento.

The event was made public by a Democrat, Assemblyman James Mills of San Diego.

Mills described "Parkinson's law" as:

"Thou shalt not fail to support Ronald Reagan—or else."

Sweeney sweeps IBEW 505 vote; Baker new prexy

Tom Sweeney was re-elected business manager of Electrical Workers 595 by a lopsided margin.

He defeated Tom Monzo, 717 to 75.

Chester Baker, who had Sweeney's support, defeated incumbent President William J. Fox, 469 to 223. Les Bridge received 107 votes.

Lou Reid was elected vice-president without opposition. Treasurer Otis Lenox and Recording Secretary Richard Brown were re-elected.

Edmund Boyle will join incumbents William Dunning, John Ihnot, Patrick Jennings, Robert Kelly and Al Real on the Executive Board.

Elected to the Examining Board were Kelly, Bob Perona, Karl Eggers, Maury Wagner and William J. Fox Jr.

International convention delegates will be Sweeney, Baker, Perona, Kelley, Real and Jennings.

Insurance Workers plan Golden State Life talks

Insurance Workers 30 and other California locals are about to begin negotiations on a new contract with the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Co., union spokesmen said.

The company is unique in that it is controlled and dominated by Negroes and, in California, has a union shop agreement. A large percentage of its policyholders are members of organized labor, the Local 30 spokesman added.

Local 30's members also work for John Hancock and Prudential insurance companies in this area.

4-6 3/4% increases won by members of EBMUD 444

Manuel Pontes, president of East Bay Municipal Utility District Employees 444, said that members of his union had received increases of 4 to 6¾ per cent.

He also commented on current news stories concerning the high salaries paid EBMUD executives, 25 of whom earn more than \$12,000 a year.

Pontes said despite the raises, many EBMUD lower-bracket employees do not even receive prevailing union rates.

Stan Heyse, Local 444 delegate, told the Labor Council that EBMUD directors meet at 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 2130 Adeline St., Oakland. He suggested unionists interested in EBMUD actions attend the meetings, which are open to the public.

First Chabot College grievance brings victory for Teachers No. 1440

The first grievance case handled at Chabot College by Teachers 1440 has resulted in victory for the union, according to Richard Albert, delegate to the Central Labor Council.

Albert told the council the issue was transfer of a drama teacher to other duties and assignment of two new drama teachers.

Union representatives got no satisfaction from administrators so they went before trustees in a two hour session, winning a complete review of the case. Albert said the district superintendent was instructed by the trustees to return the ousted teacher to the former position, and work out a solution.

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A NEWSPAPER REPORTER whose stories freed an innocent man from jail received the 25th Heywood Broun Award of the American Newspaper Guild, AFLCIO. He is John A. Frasca, a reporter for the Tampa, Fla., Tribune, shown addressing the Guild's Broun Awards Banquet in Washington, D.C. U.S. Attorney General Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, seated at right, also addressed the banquet.

School superintendent's pay proposal labeled 'sellout'

The teacher salary proposal by Oakland Superintendent of Schools Stuart Phillips has been labeled a "sellout."

President Tom Roland of Oakland Federation of Teachers, Local 771, said the proposal was a "sellout of the Oakland teachers by the school administration and the Oakland Education Association."

Last March, Roland charged, the Board of Education announced its intention of including a 6 per cent teacher pay raise in the 1966-67 budget.

But instead of preparing a salary schedule with a straight 6 per cent increase, as the teachers had been led to expect, the superintendent and the OEA prepared a schedule that gave some teachers an increase of only 2.7 per cent, while others received as much as 8.5 per cent.

The OET president called the superintendent's failure to present the proposed schedule before the school year ended a deliberate attempt to cut many

teachers out of the 6 per cent raise without giving them a chance to oppose the schedule.

ANGRY DIRECTORS

Board Director Lorenzo Hoopes reminded Roland that two OET members had participated on the salary committee that prepared and unanimously approved the proposed schedule.

When Roland denied the OET salary representatives had approved the salary schedule in the form the superintendent had presented, Director Seymour Rose declared, "I'm glad I'm getting paid for these meetings, or I wouldn't sit here and listen to this."

Further arguments by Roland that the board should delay acceptance of the salary schedule for at least two weeks so vacationing teachers could have an opportunity to present their views resulted in Superintendent Phillips telling Roland that he was "alarmed to think that a man like him (Roland) was teaching children in a classroom."

In other business, the board heard Jim Reed of the East Bay School Lunch Committee complain that the school administration had not adequately involved the community in preparation of its report on the feasibility of offering free school lunches.

Local 1675 still fighting demotions

Public Employees 1675 is still trying to get unionists who were demoted to lesser jobs reinstated by the Fremont Unified School District, the Central Labor Council was told last week.

Tom Almond, unit chairman, said no progress was made at a recent meeting. He added that five of those demoted are union officers or members.

Local 1675 plans to ask the Labor Council for strike sanction and, meanwhile, is continuing its demonstration picket lines at school board meetings, Almond said.

The unionist asked members of other locals to aid in the demonstrations as part of their part in obtaining "a start for unions out there in the City of Fremont."

AFLCIO Teachers blast association credit union's 'bias'

The California Federation of Teachers, AFLCIO, has called on the California Teachers Association to "ferret out any and all traces of discrimination and racial bias within its statewide organization."

William Plosser, Northern California executive secretary for the AFLCIO union, charged that "racially offensive mail" had been sent out from the CTA Credit Union.

Plosser, a delegate to the Alameda County Central Labor Council, declared that teachers receiving the letter "deserve an apology from CTA officials." He called for disciplinary action against the CTA employee who wrote the letter.

The letter, from the CTA Bay Section Credit Union, began: "When an old darky was asked if he could change a dollar bill, he replied, 'No, boss, but thanks for the compliment.'"

Plosser declared that the letter "follows a pattern of CTA relations and improving education for every California child."

Plosser made his statements at a press conference.

Frank O. Brown, Castlemont High School and member of Oakland Federation of Teachers, Local 771, said:

"It is incredible that the California Teachers Association, representative of the entire state of California and teachers of every race, permits an employee of its credit union the freedom to express racial bias in a manner offensive to everyone concerned with improving race relations."

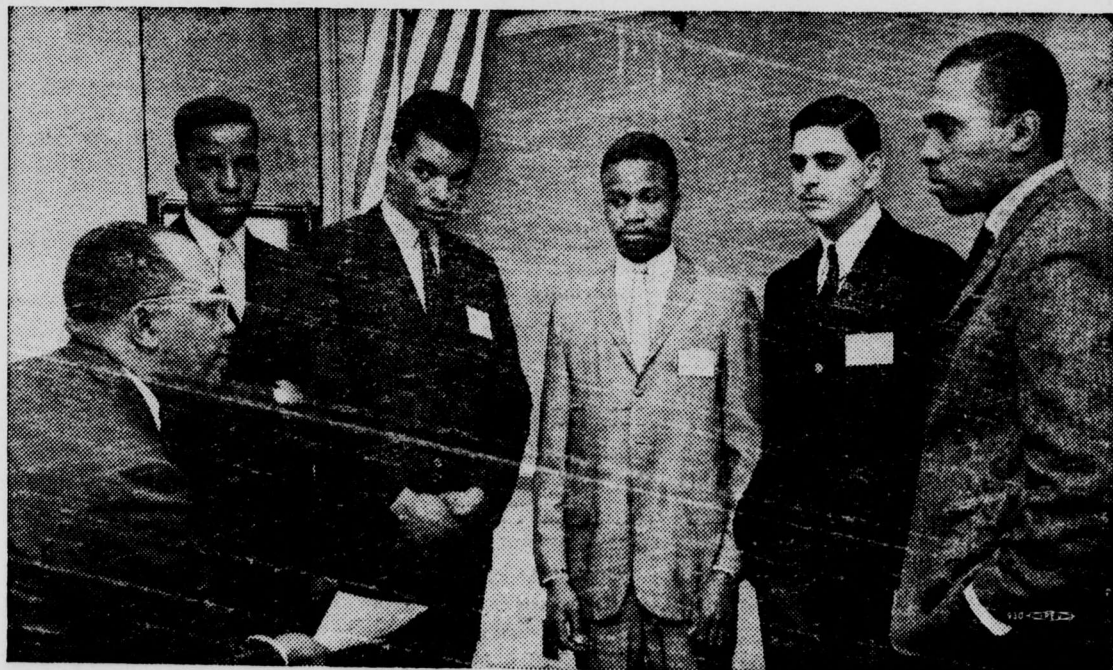
Four Youth Opportunity Centers in East Bay

There are four Youth Opportunity Centers in the East Bay. Persons 16 through 21 may register for employment under the Youth Opportunity Program, regular job training and placement, or referral to Neighborhood Youth Corps and Job Corps enrollment.

Youth Opportunity Centers are at: 301 13th St., Oakland; 1375 University Ave., Berkeley; 306 A St., Hayward, and 507 E St., Union City.

Abel appointed

I. W. Abel, president of the United Steelworkers of America, AFLCIO, has been appointed a member of the National Labor Committee for U. S. Savings Bonds.



NEW YORK CITY youths of all races attended a Conference on Apprenticeship Opportunities. They were told "you are wanted, you are welcome" as apprentices in the city's building trades unions. Attending were these youths, already apprentices and helpers in unions, shown with William E. Pollard, left, assistant director of the AFLCIO Civil Rights Department. From Pollard's left, they are: Robert Auld, IBEW 3; Scott Green, Sheet Metal Workers 28; Herbert Hall, Machinists 15; Richard Treolia, Sheet Metal Workers 28, and David Peterson, Operating Engineers 94.

Musicians, AGVA ink 'go-go' pact with California Hotel

Two unions—the Musicians and the American Guild of Variety Artists—have reached agreement with the California Hotel, 3501 San Pablo Ave., in a dispute involving "go-go" dancing.

The Musicians had obtained strike sanction from the Central Labor Council because the hotel had used live music some days, and recorded music at other times, in its "go-go" dancing room, according to Charles (Pop) Kennedy, president of the union's Local 6.

Kennedy said the hotel agreed last week to use live music full-time at any such location, or none at all. It also said it would hire AGVA members for its "go-go" girls.

Port of Oakland wins new grants

The Port of Oakland has accepted an additional \$319,500 in grants from the U. S. Economic Development Administration for two projects at Metropolitan Oakland International Airport.

This is besides \$22.8 million in EDA funds accepted by the Board of Port Commissioners in May. All the money will develop facilities which will create new jobs.

Joe W. Chaudet, commission president and general manager of the East Bay Labor Journal, said \$243,500 of the new grants have been allocated toward a new air cargo terminal, with the port to provide funds of about 43 per cent.

The other \$76,000 will be used for 20 small "T" hangars for private aircraft. The port will pay an equal sum.

U.S. funds for BART parkway

The nation's first urban beautification demonstration grant of its kind will go to the Bay Area Rapid Transit District—most of it for a linear park along its right-of-way in Albany and El Cerrito.

The \$447,953 grant was announced jointly by Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown and Congressmen Jeffery Cohelan (D-7th Dist.) and Jerome Waldie (D-14th Dist.).

The grant will finance 90 per cent of the cost of the linear park under the transit structure and beautification of two stations and parking areas.

The 2.7 mile parkway grant came on the heels of a \$23½ million federal grant two weeks earlier for BARTD work in Berkeley and San Francisco. Both grants were from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Demand the Union Label!

Burton Williams new sec.-treas. of Boilermakers 10

Burton F. Williams was scheduled to take over today (Friday) as new secretary-treasurer of Boilermakers 10.

He defeated incumbent O. M. (Bob) Bachand by five votes in a recent election.

Business Manager William G. Cummings was re-elected unopposed. Incumbent President Marvin C. Phipps was defeated by Herman E. Mitchell.

Following are the results:

President—Herman E. Mitchell, 491; Marvin C. Phipps, inc., 343.

Vice President—R. T. (Whitley) Williams, inc., 720.

Secretary-Treasurer—Burton F. Williams, 365; O. M. (Bob) Bachand, inc., 360; Leon M. Davis, 71; Louie J. Kunich, 48.

Recording Secretary—R. C. (Bob) Craig, 587; Thurman Ward, 186.

Business Manager—William G. Cummings, inc., 708.

Inspector—Thomas Keller, inc., 491; Alfred F. Rose, 305.

Trustees (3 elected)—W. D. (Bill) Regan, inc., 475; John L. Clark, inc., 405; Carl (Mac) McGill, inc., 371; James F. (Curly) Smith, 231; Jesse Handley, 207; Willie C. Morris, 200; George Nick, 145; John J. Arrousez, 115.

Senator wants state to use Union Label

State Senator John C. Begovich (D-Jackson) has urged that the Union Label be placed on all bills, reports and other publications of the State Printing Office.

In a joint letter to State Printer Lloyd Lapham and General Services Director Robert Harkness, Senator Megovich pointed out that the printing office is unionized but said he was "disappointed" that the Union Label has not been used on most of its output.

60% of internal disputes settled through mediation

Nearly 60 per cent of the cases filed under the AFLCIO's internal disputes plan in more than four years of the plan's operation have been settled by mediation, President George Meany reported to the Executive Council.

A total of 482 cases were filed as of Feb. 10, 1966, of which 282 were settled by mediation, with another 26 still in the mediation process.

The council subcommittee set up under the plan has received 53 appeals from the umpires' determinations and denied 45. Six were referred to the Executive Council.

Of the 32 complaints of non-compliance with determinations of the umpires received by the subcommittee, compliance was achieved in 18 and non-compliance found in eight. In the eight cases sanctions were imposed as set out under the plan and are currently in effect with respect to six federation affiliates.

OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

The regular meetings of Lodge 1546 are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. at our building at 10260 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland.

There will be a special order of business at the regular meeting on Tuesday, July 5, 1966, for the purpose of setting aside the amount of \$10,000 to assist Lodge 2182 in Sacramento in their strike.

Fraternally,
DON CROSSMAN,
Rec. Secty.

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HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

The office of the financial secretary remains open Friday evenings. Our regular meetings are held every Friday at 8 p.m.

Our regular stewards' meeting will be held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

A Steward's Training Program is held the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The membership is invited to attend these meetings.

Our social event is held the last Friday of each month following our regular meeting.

By motion, the regular meeting of Friday, July 1, 1966, has been cancelled.

Our meeting of July 8 will be a special called meeting for the purpose of nominating and electing delegates to the AFLCIO State Federation of Labor Convention in San Diego.

At this same meeting, the membership will vote on changing Section 2 on page 6 of the Local Union Bylaws.

Fraternally,
A. W. RICE,
Rec. Secty.

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CARPET AND LINOLEUM 1290

The next meeting of Carpet, Linoleum and Soft Tile Layers, Local 1290, will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 1966, in Hall A, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, at 8:00 p.m.

This meeting will be an "Old Timer's Night" and a buffet will be served.

Fraternally,
GLENN A. MCINTIRE
Rec. Secty.

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U. C. EMPLOYEES 371

The officers and Executive Board will meet July 9, 1966, at 921 Kains Ave., Albany (the YMCA) at 1 p.m.

The regular meetings for June, July and August have been suspended on account of vacations. The officers and Executive Board will carry on the regular business during this time and wish that all members enjoy a fine vacation.

Fraternally,
W. G. WHITCOMBE
Sec.-Treas.

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PRINTING SPECIALTIES 677

Meeting second Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m., American Helenic Center, 342 37th St., Richmond.

As in the past years, the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for the month of July will be cancelled due to vacations.

Fraternally,
TOM WILKINS,
Secty.

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AUTO AND SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The meeting of July 5 will be a special called meeting for the purpose of electing two delegates to the State Labor Federation Convention. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. in Hall H of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Bus. Rep.

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, July 7, 8 p.m. Executive Board meets at 6:30 p.m.

Please note: Nominations for delegates to State Federation Convention.

Please attend.

Fraternally,
DAVE ARCA,
Sec.

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CEMETERY WORKERS 322

The regular meeting will be held at 8 p.m., July 5 at the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,
GLEN FOUNTAIN,
President.

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PRINTING SPECIALTIES 382

Meeting second Friday of the month at 8 p.m. 2267 Telegraph Ave., Oakland.

As in the past years, the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for the month of July will be cancelled due to vacations.

Fraternally,
JOHN FERRO,
Secty.

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RUBBER WORKERS 64

The regular meeting will be held Sunday, July 10, 1966, at 2 p.m. A complete report on negotiations at Oliver Tire will be made.

SPECIAL NOTICE

In compliance with the Constitution of the United Rubber, Cork, Linoleum and Plastic Workers of America, AFLCIO, and the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, you are hereby notified that nominations and election of delegates to the forthcoming URCL&PWA Convention will be held July 10, 1966, at 2 p.m., at United Auto Workers Hall, 1406 Seminary Ave., Oakland.

Fraternally,
LES FLOWRIGHT,
Pres.

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SHIPWRIGHTS 1149

By action taken at the special called meeting of June 17, regular meetings of Local 1149 will be held the first Monday of each month at 2085 Third St., San Francisco, and the third Monday of each month at 115 Broadway, Oakland.

The next regular meeting will be July 18 at 115 Broadway, Oakland.

Fraternally,
JAMES ALLAN,
Rec. Secty.

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BARBERS 134

The Fourth of July holiday is here again and that means we are in the good old summer season. Time for vacation, fishing, hunting, camping, etc. We have vacation jobs for the semi-retired Barbers who wish to earn extra money filling these jobs. Come into the office and we will place you.

Will all the new apprentices get in touch so that we may sign you up for the fall school term at Laney Campus, starting next September? Don't forget, our union meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month in the Labor Temple at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
AL MATTOCH,
Sec.-Treas.

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BUILDING SERVICE 18

Meeting dates fourth Friday of every month. Meetings at 3 p.m. and the regular evening meetings at 7 p.m., both at the Cooks Hall, 1608 Webster St., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally,
VIC BRADNT,
Secty-Bus. Rep.

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CARPENTERS 642

Regular meetings are held at 8 p.m. on the first and third Fridays of each month at Carpenters Hall, 242 11th St., Richmond.

There will be no meeting this Friday, July 1. The next meeting will be July 15.

Fraternally,
MARVIN MARTIN
Fin. Secretary

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ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Carpenters Local No. 194 meets each first and third Monday evening of the month at 8 p.m. The meeting place is the Veterans Memorial Building, 2201 Central Ave., Alameda.

Refreshments are served following the first meeting of the month in the canteen for all present. You are urged to attend your local's meeting.

There will be no meeting on July 4. The next meeting will be July 18.

Fraternally,
J. W. NIXON,
Rec. Secty.

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CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

The regular meeting of Local 257, School Employees, will be held at Porter Hall (upstairs), 1918 Grove St., Oakland, Calif., on Saturday, July 9, 1966, at 2 p.m.

Reports on salary negotiations and nominations and election of delegates to the State Federation of Labor Convention at San Diego Aug. 8 through 12 will be held.

The Executive Board will meet at 9:30 a.m.

Members please take note:

There will be no meeting in August (vacation month). Our regular fall meetings will start on the second Saturday in September, which is Sept. 10, 1966.

Fraternally,
HAROLD BENNER,
Sec.

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GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES 3

Executive Committee meetings, 8 p.m., second Wednesday of each month, 442 65th St., Oakland, Calif.

General membership meetings, 8 p.m., fourth Wednesday of each month, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally,
JOAN WILSON,
Bus. Rep.

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PRINTING SPECIALTIES 678

Meeting second Thursday of each month at 8 p.m., Carpenters Hall, 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward.

As in the past years, the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for the month of July will be cancelled due to vacations.

Fraternally,
AL CHASMAR,
Secty.

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BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

Regular meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month at Finish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut St., Berkeley.

Fraternally,
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HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Regular meetings are held the first and third Fridays of each month at 8 p.m. in the Southern Alameda County Labor Temple 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward.

Our meeting on July 1 has been postponed because of Fourth of July weekend.

Our next meeting, July 15, will be a special called meeting to nominate and elect delegates to the State Building Trades Convention in Fresno July 20, 21 and 22, also to nominate and elect one member to the local union's Executive Board.

Brothers Barstow and Ball will be going to a workshop in Los Angeles July 18, 19 and 20.

This is an important meeting; so let's all turn out and take part in our union affairs.

Fraternally,
R. H. FITZGERALD,
Rec. Secty.

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E.B. MUNI EMPLOYEES 390

SPECIAL NOTICE

All members of our School Districts, please note: The July and August meetings are cancelled due to vacations. Contact the Union Office, chapter officers or stewards for any help during these months.

CITY OF BERKELEY

Tuesday, July 4, 4:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

HAYWARD SCHOOLS (H)

No meeting because of vacations.

PORT OF OAKLAND (P)

Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p.m., Union Office, Room 220, Labor Temple.

CITY OF RICHMOND (DP)

Wednesday, July 13, 7:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Thursday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., Union Office, Room 220, Labor Temple.

CITY OF EL CERRITO (C)

Monday, July 18, 4:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

CITY OF OAKLAND (F)

Wednesday, July 20, 4:45 p.m., Corporation Yard.

HIGHLAND HOSPITAL (H)

Wednesday, July 27, 8:00 p.m., Union Office, Room 220, Labor Temple.

FAIRMONT HOSPITAL (F)

Thursday, July 28, 7:00 p.m., Day Room.

Fraternally,
DAVE JEFFERY
Exec. Secty.

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UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meeting held second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1223 26th Ave., Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. MCINTOSH,
Rec. Secty.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!



STANLEY H. RUTTENBERG has been confirmed by the Senate as assistant secretary of labor. He was previously Labor Department manpower administrator and before that AFLCIO research director.

CARPENTERS 36

Our next meeting will be a special call at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 7, 1966, to act on recommendations made by the Building Committee regarding purchase of property by Local Union 36. The meeting will be held at 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif. Please be in attendance.

The Educational Committee will meet on the fourth Wednesday, July 27, 1966, at 7:30 p.m. at the above address.

Stewards will meet on the fourth Thursday, July 28, 1966, at 7:30 p.m. at Carpenters Hall.

Fraternally,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON
Rec. Secty.

Minority group members join N.Y. BTC unions

Peter J. Brennan, president of the New York Building Trades Council, said incomplete results from a questionnaire on new minority group members in affiliated unions since March, 1965, show the following:

Plasterers Local 65, 25; Ironworkers Local 40, 14; Ironworkers Local 455, 75; Sheet Metal Workers Local 28, 12; Plumbers Local 1, 7; Road Builders Local 1010, 40; Mason Tenders Local 37, 15.

Brown appoints Jimno

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown has appointed Sal P. Jimno, chief of police of Pittsburg, as a member of the Governor's Law Enforcement Advisory Committee.

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E. B. Muni Employees 390

BY DAVE JEFFERY

Last week, our research director, Dr. Richard Liebes, appeared before Oakland Port Commission to ask for three fringe benefits.

Pay for work in a higher classification, health and welfare dependent coverage and a prepaid dental care program were the items asked for.

At this meeting, the port commissioners voted raises ranging from 2.8 per cent to 8.8 per cent, with the average about 4.5 per cent.

Dave Jefferey appeared before the Alameda County Civil Service Commission on behalf of two of our union members who had been denied the right to take a promotional examination for supervising group counselor on the grounds they did not meet the requirements.

The commissioners voted in favor of Brother Richard Owens' qualifications being sufficient. However, they ruled against one of our sisters being allowed to take the examination.

The announcement for this examination had stated that it was for men only. We strongly opposed this discriminatory requirement, and we pointed out that duties of this job did not, in fact, require men to be favored over women.

Since the Richmond city manager, Forrest Simoni, has failed to carry out the orders of the Personnel Board to place Brother John Cavoretto in the position of construction and maintenance foreman, our union has asked the City Council to hear the matter.

In a 4 to 1 decision last May, the Richmond Personnel Board found that Brother Cavoretto had been unlawfully bypassed due to his union activities.

Watchmakers Local 101

BY GEORGE F. ALLEN

We fully expected, prior to this time, to have been able to notify the members 65 years of

age or over as to what adjustments would be made in our insurance program due to the Medicare Plan taking effect on July 1. However, even though we have contacted our insurance carrier with regard to those members who are covered under the group insurance, we have not been able to receive complete information from them.

We have, however, received all the information from the Kaiser Foundation, and we know exactly the adjustments to be made on July 1 in conjunction with Medicare.

We could have informed those members 65 years of age or over who have the Kaiser coverage as to these adjustments. However, inasmuch as we do not have the information from the insurance carrier for those members covered under group insurance, we decided it best to wait until we could advise all members 65 years of age or over who have signed for Medicare as to the adjustments for their particular coverage.

As there will be additional expense in both groups, to those members who have applied for medicare, we are at the present time in the process of working out a plan to compensate these members, to become effective for the month of July.

Monday, July 4, is a paid holiday. If it is your regular day off, you should either receive an extra day's pay or an additional day off with pay. If you work on a holiday, you should be paid at overtime rates—this, in addition to your regular holiday pay.

MEETING NOTICE

The San Jose meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 5, at 7:30 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 45 Santa Teresa St., San Jose.

New Kaiser profit sharing

The Steelworkers and Kaiser Steel Corporation have put into effect a sharing plan for 350 union employees at Kaiser's structural steel fabricating plant in Fontana.

Under the plan, said by union and management to be the first in the metal fabrication industry, workers got a bonus for February operations averaging 4.8 cents an hour, and for March 11.2 cents.

Retail Clerks Union 870

BY CHARLES F. JONES

The annual convention of the California State Council of Retail Clerks was held last week at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel in Hollywood. The delegates attending from Local 870 were: Charles F. Jones, George D. Read, Paul Crockett, Mina Dorrance and Harry Coffin.

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown opened the convention as the principal speaker. Governor Brown spoke on the gains made by labor during the past eight years and the expectations of labor in the next four years if he is re-elected.

There were many other speakers of interest:

Thomas L. Pitts, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation addressed delegates.

Retail Clerks International Vice Presidents James Housewright, Donald Carter and William McGrath spoke on the gains made by the Retail Clerks during the past year and the challenge we face in organizing the unorganized store employees during the coming year.

William Kircher and Cesar Chavez gave a lengthy report on the problems of the farm workers in Delano and other parts of California. A resolution was passed that the Retail Clerks support the farm workers in every way possible in their organizing drive in California.

Workshops were held on legal matters, negotiations, contract enforcement and grievance arbitration which directly affect the lives and working conditions of Retail Clerks and store employees in general.

Considerable time was spent on the problems some of the clerks' unions are having with company unions being formed in parts of California. A motion was passed that all of the clerks' unions financially support those unions in their fight against union-busting company unions.

On Thursday, the last day of the convention, all of the delegates were invited to visit the health and welfare facilities of Retail Clerks Union, Local 770, in Los Angeles to see their dental clinic, department of psychiatry and department of predictive medicine.

It was the general of the delegates that this was one of the most informative conventions held by the Retail Clerks in many years.

Women's Aux. No. 26

BY ERMINE SULLIVAN

The July meeting of WA No. 26 will be held Thursday, July 7, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Anita Rankin, 1389 Castro St., San Leandro, phone 351-6352.

Propositions to come before the WIA convention, Colorado Springs, Sept. 3-8, will be discussed.

Congratulations to delegate Mary Stapleton and alternate Elizabeth Fee after a vigorous campaign.

Revised local law books should be available at the meeting.

The date of the rummage sale will be announced. Save your rummage, and ask your friends.

Register and vote at the November general election.

Com. Telegraphers 208

BY LARRY ROSS

Membership meeting Wednesday July 6, 4:45 p.m., Danish Hall, 164 11th St., upstairs.

In the struggle to accomplish justice against a giant corporation it must never be forgotten that you can only move forward and strengthen the

wage structure and improve working conditions by supporting your negotiators when the chips are down.

The Western Union tried to split us wide open with the help of some sellout artists in New York belonging to a different union and a few stooges in our own unit. Despite the effort to "divide and conquer," we won our best contract.

We also saved the day for the workers in New York whose leaders signed up for a three year contract and lower wages. After we won a two year contract and a 4.5 per cent wage increase, the company gave the same consideration to the New York union.

Our effective demonstration in 1966 will pay future dividends if every worker in Western Union will learn to understand the value of unity.

Thank you for your fine support.

Steel Machinists 1304

BY DAVE ARCA

Hi. Some interesting, well-seasoned, and provocative people gathered at our 1304 Hall last week. No, not Granny Geese. These were Sub-district No. 3 delegates.

We explored, in retrospect, California's primary elections. The analysis showed Californians as typical union people. Good, bad and indifferent. The good and bad depends upon your personal views. The indifferent are difficult.

Joe Angelo was there. Joe is acting as assistant director of District No. 38, in addition to his job as director of Sub-district No. 3. His dual duties keep him up in the air most of the time. Between here and Los Angeles. At our L. E. meeting, Joe outlined some difficulties facing unions in November, especially in informing members of the important issues. Steelworkers were urged to interest retired members into assisting in precinct work and leaflet distribution.

Tom Consiglio, coordinator of L. E. committees of District No. 38, urged delegates to step up L. E. activities in Steel locals, especially in view of the apparent trend toward glamour politics.

Stripped of emotion and racial overtones, the issue in November is basically the one we faced in 1958: The people versus private interests. Republican Senator Everett Dirksen successfully blocked a vote on repeal of Section 14(b) in the Senate, even though the House of Representatives had already voted for repeal. This gave aid and comfort to the National Right-to-Work Committee. They now have a movement going in each state without RTW laws restraining unions.

When Knowland spearheaded RTW in California, he was soundly defeated. Goldwater, too, was rejected for his views. Reagan is playing it cool. His public relations experts have suppressed his ardent advocacy of Goldwater philosophy, but his record is public knowledge. A onetime union officer, Ronnie espoused management philosophy when he did commercials for General Electric. At the same time, he switched from Democrat to Republicanism. No longer a leading man in the movies, he now supports conservatism.

Seems like old actors don't bow out, they run for public office. Murphy made it. If Ronnie repeats, and a trend becomes a mode, California could become the last resort for retired entertainers. Somehow, this doesn't seem funny.

JOHN W. ROWLAND JR., Executive Board member of the AFLCIO Amalgamated Transit Union, was a guest of Louis Bailey of Carmen 192 at Monday night's CLC meeting.

642's Straight Line

BY MARVIN MARTIN

We have just received approval of the application for an International pension for our member, Pat McKinney, which will bring our total International pensioners to 20. These members have 30 years' continuous membership in the Brotherhood and have attained the age of 65.

Local 642 donated \$50 to the Dow Wilson Memorial Fund for soccer game tickets and through a drawing the following members were awarded a pair of these tickets: Mario Poggio, George Stoddard, Roy Eslinger, Virgil Johnson, Eugene McGowan, Laurence Lober, Elmer Hamilton, Ralph Dorr, Leonard Robertson, William P. Linck, Jose Gonzales, Marvin H. Martin, Ivan MacDiarmid, Charlie Leonard, Cluade Hoover, J. Lawrence Lynch, T. E. Baldwin, Harold Hoadley, David MacDiarmid, Sam Herrod, Van Brocklin and Melvin E. Mackey.

Attendance awards of \$5 each went to Alvin Simon and Virgil Johnson at the June 17 meeting.

Information furnished us by the California State Council of Building Service Employees states that: "Less than 48 per cent of our trade union members in California are registered to vote, and it is up to us to register the remaining 52 per cent between now and November. Again, we are engaged in a fight to the finish and it is urged that all unions be aware of this fact and act accordingly. The stakes are high and the gains which we have won throughout the years are too precious to lose."

I know all of you read your Carpenter Magazine, and I hope you will take note of the brand names used by the scab-processed firm of Tyson Poultry and refrain from buying any of them. They are being sold under such brand names as: Tyson Pride, Dover Cornish, Dover Roasters, Old American Roasters, Patti Jean Cornish, Patti Jean Roasters, Manor House (Safeway), Ocoma Foods, Ocoma Foods or Wishbone (Kroger). Food Handlers Local 425 is now asking you, the consuming public, for your help.

Our special thanks to Brother Lee A. Edwards, who has volunteered his services in taking care of our parking lot, and what an excellent job he is doing. He has very politely steered the non-union would-be parkers to another area, leaving room for our members and their families.

There will be no meeting this Friday, July 1. The next meeting will be July 15.

Sheet Metal Credit Union

BY BERT TONZI

School's out. Now the vacation season is in full swing, and you are still not ready. Need that new camp gear? Maybe you would like a little luxury on this vacation. Why walk to the stream or lake? Try a trail bike. As you know, the walk into the stream in the a.m. is easy, but oh, that stream, why do they always put them at the bottom of the mountains? You know, one mile down and five back.

Remember that your credit union charges the lowest repayment rates. And all loans are covered with insurance. Also all shareholdings have a double indemnity clause.

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Labor Council votes strong support to Dental Technicians

The Central Labor Council has voted strong support to Dental Technicians 99 in its dispute with Naismith Dental Clinic, 3772 Howe St.

In addition to recommending that all unions with dental plans boycott the clinic until the dispute is settled, the council took a rare action against a San Francisco law firm which represents what was termed a "company union" of dental assistants.

Upon the suggestion of Executive Assistant Secretary Richard K. Groulx, delegates ordered that any strike sanction request against an employer represented by the law firm in question be granted automatically.

Groulx said the council had taken this kind of action only once before.

UNION WINS CARD CHECK

Local 99 Business Representative Wray Jacobs said a card check last week showed 22 out of 34 employees favor the union, but Naismith continued to balk at effective negotiations.

The Labor Council will also ask the University of California Center for Labor Research and Education to set up a conference on how unions can get the best dental coverage for their members.

"Labor supports dental insurance and should have more to say in its operation so union members will benefit," Jacobs told CLC delegates.

Building tradesmen fight prefab threat at Antioch

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with piping and wiring, at a factory in Indio. Then they are set up on sites in other places by company crews.

At last week's Alameda County Building Trades Council meeting, Business Representative J. L. Childers said the company has paid transportation expenses of local building inspectors in various areas to go to Indio.

They do all or most of their checking there, and the units are all ready to be set up without delay when they arrive at Stockton, Vacaville or Antioch — or other places.

\$65-\$75 A MONTH

In an earlier project in the San Joaquin Valley, apartments rented for \$65 to \$75 a month. The chief owners, a man named Johnson, is an engineer and former electrical contractor who plans to expand to other parts of the U. S. Childers said he had been informed.

Others reporting on the project at the meeting in Oakland included Tom Sweeney, business manager of Electrical Workers 595.

Groulx charged that two Naismith supervisors had stopped employees as they left for the day and pressured them into joining the "company union." He said unfair labor practice charges have been filed against the Northern California Dental Assistants Association and the California Dental Association by Local 99 with the National Labor Relations Board.

Floyd Peaslee new financial secretary of Painters 127

Floyd Peaslee, former secretary of Painters District Council 16, has been elected financial secretary of Painters 127, defeating incumbent Robert York by a vote of 130 to 124.

Elected unopposed in balloting for two year terms last week were: Douglas Lar Rieu, president; Joseph D. Mello, vice-president; James L. Brown, recording secretary; Lawrence J. Kessel, treasurer; Walter Engbrock, warden, and Sven Forsberg, conductor.

Carl Forsberg, Ed Smilovitz and Ed Dedrick were elected trustees, defeating Ed Gulbransen and Warren Carnes.

Sven Forsberg, Lawrence Kessel, Douglas Lar Rieu, Warren Carnes and Ed Dedrick were elected to the Executive Board, defeating Forrest Delao, Ed Gulbransen and James McCully.

District Council 16 delegates will be: Sam Caponio, business representative; Floyd Peaslee, Emile Carles, James Brown and Ed Smilovitz. Unsuccessful candidates were Ed Gulbransen, James McCully and Robert York.

Building Trades Council delegates will be: Ed Dedrick, Warren Carnes, Robert York, Joseph Mello and Ed Gulbransen. They defeated Robert Cannon and Forrest Lelao.

Alameda County Fair to open 15 day season

The Alameda County Fair will open a 15 day run Sunday, with more than 10,000 entries on display.

In addition to special events each day, the fair will feature exhibits showing the county's achievements.

Gates will be open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Admission is 75 cents for adults and 25 cents for children 12 through 15. Children under 12 accompanied by parents will be admitted free.



NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE and AFLCIO have launched a cooperative movement to increase hiring and promotion for Negroes. Announcing it are, from left, Whitney M. Young Jr., executive director of the Urban League; AFLCIO President George Meany and AFLCIO Vice President Walter Reuther, who is president of the AFLCIO's Industrial Union Department. Don Slaiman, AFLCIO civil rights director, is in the background. The program was approved by the AFLCIO Executive Council at its recent meeting in Florida.

Protection against job losses 'major bargaining issue'

Job protection—in the face of technological changes in many occupations—is increasing in importance as a labor-management contract provision in California.

Unions are paying increasing attention to protecting workers against loss of jobs or income, and to updating skills to handle new processes and equipment, according to Ernest B. Webb, state director of industrial relations.

Webb commented on a recent report, "Collective Bargaining Adjustments to Technological Change," issued by the State Division of Labor Statistics.

Adjustments to technological change reported in the study range from early-warning systems, which require the employer to give advance notice to the union of coming changes, to attrition clauses such as those covering some railway workers, longshoremen, racetrack employees and Kaiser Steel Co. workers.

Attrition clauses aim to balance job displacements against the number of quits, retirements and deaths, and thus avoid layoffs, Webb said.

Other types of clauses cited the report include:

- Establishment of joint union-management study committees on automation and technological change.
- Provisions for retraining opportunities and benefits.
- Reduction of hours to spread available work.
- Preferential transfers to technologically displaced workers, and
- Relocation allowances.

State to aid cheated teen-age musicians

State Labor Commissioner Sigmond Arywitz suspects a lot of teenage musicians are cheated out of pay for performing at dances and other events.

He has launched a campaign to aid any youths thus victimized. They should contact any official of the California Division of Labor Law Enforcement. There are 22 such offices in the state.

State law empowers the division to make claims for unpaid wages. The division will go to court if necessary in such cases.

Six point labor legislation program outlined by Brown

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown has outlined a six point program in the field of labor legislation.

He issued a point-by-point challenge to Ronald Reagan to spell out in specifics where he stands on each.

"The time for moderates to act has come," the governor told the convention of the California State Council of Retail Clerks in Los Angeles.

"The time for soft platitudes and easy generalities is gone. The people are demanding hard answers to hard questions. It is time for specifics, Mr. Reagan," he said.

Governor Brown spelled out his six point labor legislation program, coupling each proposal with a challenge to Reagan:

"I will press immediately in the 1967 session of the Legislature to end the law of the jungle which now prevails in some labor-management relationships, especially in the great agricultural industry. Collective bargaining under carefully worked out rules is the only satisfactory answer—and we all know it.

"I will seek increases in the benefit structure of the workmen's compensation program—at the very minimum to assure that the program no longer is a drain on the disability insurance fund. What does Mr. Reagan propose?"

"I will continue to seek im-

Charges dropped (after 8 months) against 44 Delano strike pickets

Charges against 44 pickets, including six Bay Area ministers, who were arrested last October for "huelga" (strike) at a vineyard near Delano, were dismissed "for lack of evidence."

The Kern County District Attorney's Office moved for dismissal, which was immediately granted by Municipal Judge Marvin Ferguson of Bakersfield.

The group was arrested for failing to disperse upon orders of deputy sheriffs at the Morris Fruit Co. vineyard. Sheriff Leroy Galyen was quoted at the time as saying he ordered the arrests because the pickets were "potential troublemakers."

Sheriff Galyen was defeated for re-election in June.

provements in the presently inadequate rehabilitation provisions of the workmen's compensation program. What does Mr. Reagan propose?

"I will continue to support and urge an increase in the national minimum wage and the extension of coverage to millions of workers not now covered, including those in the retail trades and on our farms. What does Mr. Reagan propose?"

"I will continue to press for minimum federal standards for unemployment insurance. That again includes coverage of farm workers. What does Mr. Reagan propose?"

"I will continue to work in Washington to assure that California continues to get its fair share of this nation's defense, space and research contracts that pay the wages of one-third of our manufacturing force. What does Mr. Reagan, who doesn't like Washington, propose to do?"

Brown accused Reagan of failure to stand up and tell what he really believes on important state issues.

"We Democrats," the governor declared, "are not going to let Mr. Reagan get away with it."

"We are going to wage a fighting campaign," he added. "We are going to wage a campaign on the issues—on what is good for the future of this great state and its people."

Tormey, Meyers guests of Bldg. Trades Council

Ben Tormey, former president of Bill Posters 32, Los Angeles, and Don Myers, consultant for the State Division of Apprenticeship Standards, were guests at last week's Building Trades Council meeting.

Secretary-Treasurer John A. Davy said Tormey was a longtime friend and admirer of the Alameda County BTC and told him before the meeting:

"The Alameda County Building Trades Council has been something for our local union to remember because through their efforts we have learned many things. It is indeed a pleasure to be here and to acknowledge the same because you in Alameda County have been an inspiration to us in the south, and I want to thank you personally and for the membership of my local union."



PEN USED by President Johnson to sign the multi-million dollar Housing Bill is presented to AFLCIO Vice President Joseph D. Keenan, secretary of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. At Keenan's left are AFLCIO Legislative Director Andrew J. Biemiller and Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey.

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No. 2 tries harder to be fair to NFWA

Schenley is only Number Two. Among the Delano growers, that is.

Maybe that's why they tried a little harder by being the first to recognize and negotiate with the striking National Farm Workers Association.

Last week, an even bigger break came in the Delano grape strike when Schenley and the NFWA reached agreement on a contract which gives workers a minimum of \$1.75 an hour, a union hiring hall, dues checkoff and a union shop.

DiGiorgio, the biggest Delano grower, has been trying hard, too.

But instead of trying to reach an honorable settlement with the NFWA, DiGiorgio devoted its efforts to keeping the NFWA out, setting up a phony election, and trying to fool the public into thinking a fair election had been held among its workers.

The public should not be fooled.

This election was not conducted by any state or federal agency. It was not carried out under the established, impartial procedures of either the National Labor Relations Board or the California State Conciliation Service.

DiGiorgio used company buses to take workers to the polls. Despite a prior agreement that any election would be under rules jointly agreed upon by union and management, DiGiorgio pulled a "quickie" and ran the voting according to its own rules. It decided who could vote. And it did not allow unions a chance to campaign. Of 732 voters taken to the polls in company buses, 347 refused to vote at all. Since the NFWA and the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee had obtained a court order removing their names from the ballot in this obviously-rigged election, it must be assumed that many of these were NFWA and AWOC supporters. Another 41 voted but cast blank ballots. More than 100 of those who did vote were not field workers. They were other employees of DiGiorgio, whom the union was not trying to organize and did not claim to represent. Despite a last minute public statement by DiGiorgio that it would allow original strikers to vote—after considerable pressure from the unions—they did not cast ballots. And those who joined the strike after it started did not vote, either. In other words, those who voted were all strike-breakers or workers not even in the bargaining unit.

DiGiorgio held elections for both its Sierra Vista Ranch near Delano and its Borrego Farms in San Diego County. At the latter place, a Catholic priest, the Rev. John Desmond, who was supposed to be overseeing the balloting, refused to sign a statement that the election was fairly conducted.

Despite the fact that the election was unfair and that only half of those declared eligible by the company voted, those who did cast ballots said they wanted a union by nearly a 5 to 1 margin.

The workers were asked first whether they wanted a union. Then they were asked to write in which union they wanted. Of those voting, 281 chose the Teamsters, and 60 said they wanted no union. Despite the NFWA-AWOC boycott of the election, nine chose the NFWA and 3 picked the AWOC.

Still unanswered is what prompted 281 to choose the Teamsters when Einar Mohn, head of that union in the western United States, publicly pulled out of any organizing attempts at DiGiorgio a scant three weeks earlier.

Also unanswered, of course, is what the Teamsters will do with their victory—if it can be called that. Will they attempt to negotiate a contract, and how will NFWA and AWOC react? Can a legitimate labor contract be negotiated under these circumstances?

The NFWA—which has the full support of the AFL-CIO—has announced plans to go to court to have the election invalidated. Cesar Chavez, NFWA president, has asked the U. S. Senate Farm Labor Subcommittee to investigate. And Governor Brown has announced he will appoint a nationally-known impartial investigator.

To sum it all up, it is obvious that the final chapter in the DiGiorgio story hasn't been written. And until it is, all sympathizers with the plight of California's farm workers will continue to support the boycott against DiGiorgio brands, including S&W Fine Foods and Treesweet juices.

Don't buy DiGiorgio. Don't buy S&W. Don't buy Treesweet.

'Sorry About That'



COHELAN TESTIFIES FOR 'BEST' REDWOOD PARK

Loggers have been cutting trees in groves marked for possible inclusion in a redwoods national park, Congressman Jeffery Cohelan (D.-Berkeley) charged at hearings in Crescent City June 17.

Cohelan was one of several witnesses at field hearings of the U. S. Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

He argued against what he called the "price tag approach" of the Johnson Administration for a 41,000 acre national park in the Mill Creek Valley of Del Norte County, with a cost ceiling of \$56 million.

An alternate plan, contained in a bill by Cohelan and 54 other congressmen and senators, would save a far greater acreage of primeval redwoods, the Berkeley representative said.

It would also offer finer scenery, preserve a greater variety of wildlife, provide broader recreational advantages and cover an entire watershed in the Redwood Creek Valley east of Orick in Humboldt County, Cohelan told the committee.

'TIME OF THE ESSENCE'

"Traditionally," Cohelan said, "we have sought out the best location for national parks, monuments and seashores — basing this judgment on the natural quality of the area.

"If the cost of acquisition was too great," he added, "we have either sought private financial support or reduced the size of the highest quality proposal."

Cohelan said he believed the same principle should be applied to the redwoods. Time is "of the essence," he declared, declaring:

"In a matter of only two or three more years, no redwood area of sufficient ecological or recreational integrity will remain that is worthy of being preserved in a national park."

It takes a thousand years for a mature redwood tree to grow, and even longer for a full-blown forest, the Berkeley congressman pointed out.

"We should not shun an area just because its price tag may be high," he told the committee, "but rather concentrate, if necessary, on acquiring the most significant part of the most worthy park site for the enjoyment and education of future generations of Americans."

'37, '64 REPORTS

In 1937, the National Park Service recommended the Del Norte County site for a national park. But in the 30 years since then, logging operations have penetrated the valley and have cut off much of the forest, Cohelan said.

A 1964 report favors the area

included in the Cohelan Bill and favored by the Sierra Club and most other conservation groups.

Cohelan said this plan would preserve 33,000 acres of now privately-owned virgin redwood forest, compared with 6,000 under the Johnson Administration plan.

In addition, unlike the Administration plan, the Cohelan-Sierra Club proposal covers at least six complete, unlogged tributary watersheds, the congressman said.

"This is practically the only place left in the entire redwood region where wild streams still flow amid the grandeur of the primeval forest, unaltered by erosion, siltation, or debris from logging," he added.

FAIR PRICE TO OWNERS

Cohelan emphasized that lumber companies and individual owners "should be paid a fair price for their land."

And local governments should be compensated through in-lieu payments for any losses they may suffer initially because park lands are removed from tax rolls, he added.

Cohelan said he stressed the word "initially" because studies and experience show that, in the long run, a national park is a boon to an area's economy.

Cohelan said, in conclusion, that "our nation's opportunity for a great and worthy national park is rapidly slipping away."

"I would urge," he said, "that we not risk losing this opportunity by default."

Still ducking

Ronald Reagan has come up with a new and inventive reason not to repudiate the John Birch Society—it is not listed as subversive by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

This opens up a whole new approach to making political decisions. Instead of considering the facts and coming up with a conclusion the Reagan approach is to check a list in Washington.

However, it is not the responsibility of the FBI to decide whether politicians should or should not accept the support of Birchers. This is something any politician worth his salt would want to do for himself, clearly and forthrightly.

There is ample evidence available to Reagan concerning the conduct and goals of the John Birch Society for him to decide whether he wants that kind of support. It is not a question of whether the society is on the FBI subversive list; it is a question of whether Reagan wants to be on the Birch Society's recommended list.—Sacramento Bee.

OPINIONS

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UNION PRINTING IS IMPORTANT

Editor, Labor Journal:

Some weeks ago a member of the Barbers' Union had a letter published in the East Bay Labor Journal asking all members of unions to patronize union barber shops only.

Every union barber shop that I have patronized (probably at least 200 from coast to coast, etc.) during the past 45 years has been cluttered with non-union magazines and newspapers, and often other non-union printed matter. Whenever I have told union barbers that such magazines and newspapers were non-union they have always told me that their customers liked reading them. Are most of their customers non-unionists?

I, as a member of a printing trades union that is affiliated with the Allied Printing Trades Council, ask all union barbers to permit into their barber shops only the magazines that are OK'd by the Allied Printing Trades Council. Also, only such newspapers and printed matter that bear the Allied Printing Trades Council Union label.

If there are any union barbers in Alameda County that do not tolerate non-union publications and non-union printed matter in their shops, I suggest that they conspicuously post the following in their front windows: "All magazines in this union barber shop have the OK of the Allied Printing Trades Council and all newspapers and other printed matter bear the Allied Printing Trades Union label."

I desire to patronize such a union barber shop.

WILLIAM R. CHURCHILL
Oakland Typographical
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LABOR & STUDENTS

Editor, Labor Journal:

You are to be congratulated for urging that labor seek the sympathy of the students, who will be the leaders of tomorrow. Sure, there are differences, serious ones at that. But that does not stop us from meeting with employers, who are on the other side of the fence. But, can the editor sell this proposal to labor? And can anyone sell it to the students? It is well worth trying.

Let's be clear on one point. This attitude is not confined to the liberal-radicals at Berkeley. Last year, Newsweek found that students rated labor next to the bottom of their list. What can we do about it? Two obvious courses are open to us: discussion among ourselves to debate the issues freely; then a meeting with their representatives to iron out our differences. After all, we have some experience with collective bargaining to iron out differences.

Can this be done? Let's start with a free discussion within the labor movement. Is that now possible? If it is, the second step will be also.

SAMUEL KALISH,
Los Angeles
Retired Deputy Labor
Commissioner

UNIONISM

I sometimes think that the road of unionism would be a lot easier today if every youngster going into his first job got at least a small taste of what it was like to work for 50 cents an hour with no holiday, no vacations, no fringe benefits, and under the whip of Harry Bennett's Gestapo. If they did, we wouldn't have trouble explaining what unionism is all about—P. L. Siemiller, IAM president.